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In the Matter Of:

EMILY FORSYTHE vs

WAYFAIR, LLC

BRITTANEY SKAGGS

August 31, 2020



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1	Q And who did Shannon work for directly?	1	Ms. Forsythe, or just once?
2	A Brandon Mowrey.	2	A Just once, to my recollection.
3	Q Was Brandon Mowrey a peer of Emily?	3	Q Do you remember what he asked you about?
4	A Yes.	4	A He asked me in reference to a sexual
5	Q Okay. Anybody else that you can remember?	5	harassment lawsuit -- or I'm sorry, sexual harassment
6	A I cannot off the top of my head. I'm not sure	6	investigation that he was conducting on behalf of
7	if there were additional women, females or not.	7	Ms. Forsythe.
8	Q And then how many males -- how many males were	8	Q And what was the sexual harassment
9	on Witte's team other than Mr. Lowe, Mr. Martin, and	9	investigation about other than, as you say, the subject
10	Mr. Chin?	10	of sexual harassment? What specific facts was it
11	A That was the entire team for -- those were	11	about, if you know?
12	answering to Keith Wertman, not to Witte.	12	MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the
13	Q Okay. When we talked about the broader	13	question.
14	Witte/Wertman team -- you've identified the females.	14	You can answer, if you know.
15	Were there any -- can you identify the males, please?	15	THE WITNESS: He asked me about interactions
16	A Yes. Brandon Mowrey, Robert Holtz, Sean Lane,	16	that I had witnessed or heard of between
17	Jeff Neuharth, Michael McDole, Eric Worley, William	17	Ms. Forsythe and Mr. McDole.
18	Ensuncho. Sorry. It's been a very long time since I've	18	BY MR. GOODMAN:
19	seen any of these people in person so, it's hard to	19	Q Did you -- do you remember how you
20	remember at the time.	20	characterized -- you had seen them interact; correct?
21	Q I understand.	21	A I'm sorry, I didn't hear you.
22	A Alec Foos, F-o-o-s, and that's all I can	22	Q You had seen the two of them interact,
23	recall, currently.	23	Mr. McDole, and Ms. Forsythe; correct?
24	Q All right. Is Kelly Brieg still with Wayfair?	24	A Yes.
25	A Yes.	25	Q Did you ever -- did you ever -- how did you
	18		20
1	Q And Shannon Johnson?	1	characterize their interactions to Mr. Shaffer?
2	A Yes.	2	A Hostile, on occasion.
3	Q Are there -- are any of the -- is Mr. Mowrey	3	Q Did you ever address whether there may have
4	still with Wayfair?	4	been a personal interest by Mr. McDole in Ms. Forsythe
5	A Yes.	5	with him?
6	Q Any of the other males that you named, are	6	A Did I address it with who?
7	they gone from Wayfair? Or are they all still with	7	Q Whether he seemed to have an interest in a
8	Wayfair?	8	relationship beyond work with her.
9	A They're all still with Wayfair, with the	9	A Not exactly.
10	exception of obviously Keith Wertman, who has left, my	10	Q I'm going to show you a document. Hopefully
11	boss.	11	you can see it on your desktop. Can you see this
12	Q And why did he leave?	12	document, Ms. Skaggs?
13	A I have no knowledge as to why he left.	13	A Yeah. Yes.
14	Q Do you know when he -- when he left?	14	Q Does this appear to be -- if you can -- you
15	A About approximately two months ago, so	15	can browse at it. Does it appear to be a summary of
16	July-ish.	16	Mr. Shaffer's conversation with you?
17	Q Who is Trevor Figueroa?	17	MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the
18	A He works in human resources in Perris,	18	question.
19	California.	19	If you know what it is.
20	Q Did you ever talk to him about Ms. Forsythe?	20	THE WITNESS: I did not hear the question.
21	A Yes.	21	I'm sorry.
22	Q Do you remember what -- was that at his	22	BY MR. GOODMAN:
23	initiation?	23	Q Yes. Please read it and then I'll ask you a
24	A Yes.	24	question.
25	Q Did you talk to him more than once about	25	(The Court Reporter is directed to read back

25 <p>1 If you think it was inadequate in that regard, what did 2 it leave out? 3 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the 4 question. It mischaracterizes her testimony. 5 You can answer, Brittaney. 6 THE WITNESS: The comment that was asked to me 7 was whether or not I said specifically, I think he 8 has a crush on you, when referring to Mr. McDole. 9 BY MR. GOODMAN: 10 Q And you're saying it doesn't record the entire 11 context. What aspect of your conversation with 12 Mr. Figueroa was not contained in his memo? 13 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the 14 question. 15 You can answer, Brittaney. 16 THE WITNESS: The comment that this is 17 referring to is part of a broader conversation. 18 And it is not characterized because the 19 conversation did not -- I don't recall specifically 20 saying, I think he has a crush on you. I don't 21 think I did. But the conversation came back as me 22 asking Ms. Forsythe if there was a background or 23 reason to the back and forth that I had seen and 24 others had seen between her and Mr. McDole. And 25 below that, it also states that I knew some</p>	27 <p>1 You can answer again. 2 THE WITNESS: Yes. There is a context that is 3 not included in this memo. 4 BY MR. GOODMAN: 5 Q Okay. And if it had been included, what would 6 it have properly said? 7 MS. KAPPELMAN: You can answer again. 8 THE WITNESS: It would have said, based on my 9 knowledge of your background, is there a previous 10 relationship or some other instance that has caused 11 you two to have such dislike for each other. 12 BY MR. GOODMAN: 13 Q And what -- okay. And what -- and you're 14 saying you asked that question of Emily; correct? 15 A Correct. 16 Q And what was her response? 17 A To my knowledge, paraphrasing is that she said 18 that they had never had any sort of romantic 19 relationship before, and that she wasn't entirely 20 certain as to why they did not get along. 21 Q Okay. And that's not -- neither of those 22 statements are in the memo or anything like them; 23 correct? 24 A I do not see them in there, no. 25 Q Okay. And did you -- did you say anything</p>
26 <p>1 background as that they had grown up in the same 2 town, they grew up together, and had asked if there 3 was a previous relationship that would cause so 4 much tension and dislike between the two parties. 5 BY MR. GOODMAN: 6 Q So that's a record of questions you asked 7 Emily? 8 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the 9 question. 10 I don't understand it, but if you do, 11 Brittaney, feel free to answer. 12 THE WITNESS: It is part of a conversation 13 that Ms. Forsythe and I had in a car in Savannah, 14 Georgia. 15 BY MR. GOODMAN: 16 Q Okay. 17 A So it's not something that you can write three 18 lines of and then characterize it as the whole 19 conversation because this is -- there's not enough 20 context here for me to corroborate or disclaim on. 21 Q Is there -- are there -- are there aspects of 22 the conversation you had with Mr. Figueroa concerning 23 Emily Forsythe that are not accurately reflected in this 24 memo? 25 MS. KAPPELMAN: Asked and answered.</p>	28 <p>1 about either of those two comments to Mr. Figueroa? 2 A Yes. We talked about the entire conversation 3 that Ms. Forsythe and I had had. 4 Q And why do you think Mr. Figueroa didn't 5 include those two statements? 6 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the 7 question. She has no way of knowing what 8 Mr. Figueroa's thinking or why he wrote certain 9 notes and didn't write others. 10 BY MR. GOODMAN: 11 Q You can answer. 12 MS. KAPPELMAN: You can, but I don't know what 13 you're going to say since you're not in 14 Mr. Figueroa's head. 15 MR. GOODMAN: Please don't coach the witness, 16 honestly. 17 MS. KAPPELMAN: It's an inane question, Bob. 18 She can't answer why he wrote -- 19 MR. GOODMAN: That's not a proper objection. 20 MS. KAPPELMAN: It is. She's here with her 21 personal knowledge. That's what this deposition's 22 about. 23 MR. GOODMAN: Ms. Skaggs -- Ms. Skaggs -- 24 MS. KAPPELMAN: You had a chance to enter 25 in -- to ask questions of Mr. Figueroa. That would</p>

<p>1 A I'm sorry. You cut out. I only heard part of 2 it.</p> <p>3 Q Yeah. Do you have occasion to observe whether 4 people are being verbally aggressive in written or 5 non-written communications with you as fellow employees 6 of Wayfair?</p> <p>7 A I interact with a large group of people, so I 8 see a lot of interactions, whether they be positive or 9 not, from a lot of different people throughout the 10 company.</p> <p>11 Q Have you ever observed Mr. McDole being 12 verbally aggressive, either in person or in writing, or 13 on a phone call?</p> <p>14 A Yes.</p> <p>15 Q When was the first time?</p> <p>16 A Sorry. I'm calculating timelines.</p> <p>17 Q Approximately.</p> <p>18 A Approximately April of 2019, there was a nasty 19 exchange between Ms. Forsythe and Mr. McDole over the 20 launch of our Lathrop, California building.</p> <p>21 Q What was the location?</p> <p>22 A Lathrop, L-a-t-h-r-o-p.</p> <p>23 Q Okay. I got it.</p> <p>24 Any other occasions?</p> <p>25 A I witnessed a lot of interactions between the</p>	<p>33</p> <p>1 communicated and interacted with each other.</p> <p>2 Q What was the -- what kind of words or tone of 3 voice was Mr. McDole using on those occasions when he 4 was verbally aggressive with Ms. Forsythe?</p> <p>5 A They both were -- had raised their voices on 6 the video call.</p> <p>7 Q Did he -- did he use cuss words, for example?</p> <p>8 A Not that I recall, no.</p> <p>9 Q So it was just -- so none of it was in person. 10 It was on video calls, but he was loud. Is that what 11 you're saying?</p> <p>12 MS. KAPPELMAN: Objection, mischaracterizing 13 her testimony. He said they were both raised -- 14 they were both raised voices at each other.</p> <p>15 BY MR. GOODMAN:</p> <p>16 Q Right. I'm asking about him. Are you saying 17 he was loud on video calls?</p> <p>18 A Yes. They were both loud.</p> <p>19 Q Both what?</p> <p>20 A They were both loud.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. Any other characteristic that has led 22 you to say that he was verbally aggressive in his 23 communications with her that you observed?</p> <p>24 A I'm sorry, I don't understand the question.</p> <p>25 Q Any other thing than -- than decibel level</p>
<p>1 two. They weren't always hostile. There was a lot of 2 work interactions.</p> <p>3 Q Any -- and have you seen him being verbally 4 aggressive with anybody besides Ms. Forsythe?</p> <p>5 A I've seen him be very passionate towards other 6 people about work things. I don't know that I would 7 categorize his reactions as always aggressive.</p> <p>8 Q Excuse me?</p> <p>9 A I don't know that I would categorize all of 10 the interactions as aggressive. I have seen him -- he 11 gets very passionate about things.</p> <p>12 Q All right. So in the conversations with 13 Ms. Forsythe, he was being verbally aggressive, but in 14 other instances, with other people, he's been 15 passionate, was the word you used?</p> <p>16 A I think I would say he gets passionate about 17 things. I don't know that I would necessarily call him 18 verbally aggressive.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. Have you ever seen him be verbally 20 aggressive with anybody other than Emily?</p> <p>21 A No.</p> <p>22 Q Did you ever suspect romantic feelings for 23 Ms. Forsythe coming from Mr. McDole?</p> <p>24 A I often wondered if the two of them had 25 feelings for each other based on the way they</p>	<p>34</p> <p>1 that leads you to say that he was verbally aggressive in 2 communications with her?</p> <p>3 A They would both regularly cut each other off 4 mid-sentence.</p> <p>5 MR. GOODMAN: Object to responsiveness.</p> <p>6 BY MR. GOODMAN:</p> <p>7 Q Anything else?</p> <p>8 MS. KAPPELMAN: I think it was perfectly 9 responsive. What wasn't responsive about her 10 answer, other than you didn't like it, Bob?</p> <p>11 MR. GOODMAN: Please stay within the rules.</p> <p>12 MS. KAPPELMAN: It is in the rules. What 13 wasn't responsive? I'm asking about your 14 objection. What wasn't responsive to her answer 15 other than that you didn't like it?</p> <p>16 BY MR. GOODMAN:</p> <p>17 Q Ms. Skaggs, you can answer.</p> <p>18 Anything else besides decibel level that 19 you're referring to when you speak about Mr. McDole's 20 verbal aggressiveness?</p> <p>21 MS. KAPPELMAN: Asked and answered.</p> <p>22 You can answer again, Brittaney.</p> <p>23 THE WITNESS: They would both cut each other 24 off mid-sentence. And that was it.</p> <p>25 BY MR. GOODMAN:</p>

<p>1 A More than once.</p> <p>2 Q What were the occasions?</p> <p>3 A We -- he was going to be the regional manager</p> <p>4 for automation and infrastructure -- or I'm sorry,</p> <p>5 automation and maintenance for the Lathrop, California</p> <p>6 location. So during the launch of that building, there</p> <p>7 was a lot of interaction between Ms. Forsythe and</p> <p>8 Mr. McDole.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. And you talked with Mr. Lowe about</p> <p>10 that?</p> <p>11 A Yes.</p> <p>12 Q Who initiated the conversation?</p> <p>13 A I don't recall.</p> <p>14 Q Did he -- did he tell you what he thought</p> <p>15 about Mr. McDole?</p> <p>16 A Not to my -- not that I recall, no.</p> <p>17 Q Did he tell you what he thought Mr. McDole's</p> <p>18 intentions or desires were with respect to</p> <p>19 Ms. Forsythe's career at Wayfair?</p> <p>20 A Not that I recall.</p> <p>21 Q Well, then, what did you talk to him about --</p> <p>22 Ms. Forsythe -- about at any point, then?</p> <p>23 A We spoke about the calls in which occasionally</p> <p>24 got heated between Ms. Forsythe pushing Mr. McDole's</p> <p>25 buttons or leaving him out of the loop of communication</p>	<p>49</p> <p>1 You were on the Witte --</p> <p>2 A Industrial engineering team, yes.</p> <p>3 Q The Witte/Wertman team at that point, but he</p> <p>4 was on another team; correct?</p> <p>5 A Yes. He was part of operations group at that</p> <p>6 point.</p> <p>7 Q So operations -- okay. So he, as part of</p> <p>8 operations, was addressing issues with certain</p> <p>9 industrial engineering personnel; correct?</p> <p>10 A Yes. He -- the building was under</p> <p>11 construction so he was working with me regularly on an</p> <p>12 active basis as well as transportation logistics. So it</p> <p>13 wasn't just the industrial engineering team, but it was</p> <p>14 every -- every team you have to coordinate with in order</p> <p>15 to launch the building.</p> <p>16 Q Who else on the industrial engineering team</p> <p>17 was he communicating with about this?</p> <p>18 A Kyle Page, who is an industrial engineer that</p> <p>19 was responsible for the building at that time; Jim Lowe,</p> <p>20 obviously, is the maintenance counterpart; myself;</p> <p>21 Brandon Mowrey, who runs capacity; and then Rob Holtz</p> <p>22 and his team who run automation and racking, so design</p> <p>23 for our sorter and the racking throughout the building.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. And Mr. Mowrey was at -- at Emily's</p> <p>25 level; correct?</p>
<p>50</p> <p>1 on certain things which would cause issues with the</p> <p>2 launch of the building and spoke about just, in general,</p> <p>3 the back-and-forth nature of their relationship and how</p> <p>4 it occasionally affected productivity when Emily would</p> <p>5 cut Mike out of the loop.</p> <p>6 Q Were there occasions -- or did you ever talk</p> <p>7 with Emily about Mr. McDole not communicating with her</p> <p>8 about certain issues?</p> <p>9 A Yes.</p> <p>10 Q What did you -- what was the substance of</p> <p>11 that?</p> <p>12 A Ms. Forsythe had approached me about meetings</p> <p>13 that we were holding about the launch of the building</p> <p>14 and the parties that were involved. Mr. McDole was in</p> <p>15 charge of project managing the entire launch. At that</p> <p>16 point in time, he had left Ms. Forsythe's team and was</p> <p>17 operating under a different manager. And with that</p> <p>18 being said, he was focused on launching the building.</p> <p>19 And there were meetings that Ms. Forsythe was not</p> <p>20 invited to.</p> <p>21 She asked me some specific questions about the</p> <p>22 status of things, to which I replied, Yes, we had a</p> <p>23 meeting about that, here's the rundown. And she became</p> <p>24 very agitated that she was not invited to the meetings.</p> <p>25 Q Okay. You were on her team at that point.</p>	<p>50</p> <p>1 A Correct.</p> <p>2 Q Did Mr. McDole explain to you why he was not</p> <p>3 including Emily in communications or meeting</p> <p>4 invitations? Did he ever disclose that to you?</p> <p>5 A He just said that he was part of -- he was</p> <p>6 handling the launch of the team -- or I'm sorry, the</p> <p>7 launch of the site and it didn't need to include her</p> <p>8 because he had added the stakeholders from both her team</p> <p>9 and the other teams to the meetings, so it wasn't</p> <p>10 necessary for her to also be there.</p> <p>11 Q How did the discussion of that even come up</p> <p>12 between you and him?</p> <p>13 A After Emily had expressed her agitation of not</p> <p>14 being invited to a meeting, on the next call with him, I</p> <p>15 said, Hey, just FYI, Emily and I had a conversation and</p> <p>16 she's not happy that she wasn't invited to the meetings.</p> <p>17 And I think by then, she had probably already reached</p> <p>18 out to him and asked to be included. And I just said</p> <p>19 that she was -- she was agitated. And he said, I have</p> <p>20 all the stakeholders on here, I don't understand why she</p> <p>21 also needs to be involved.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. And by stakeholders, did he mean L3s?</p> <p>23 A A stakeholder by definition for this purpose</p> <p>24 is anyone that actively holds a piece of the puzzle in</p> <p>25 order to get the site up and launched. So it's both</p>

<p>1 Q Do you remember when that was?</p> <p>2 A I don't. I know that both parties later told</p> <p>3 me that they did not end up meeting after work. But</p> <p>4 other than that, I don't recall a timeline. Somewhere</p> <p>5 in the neighborhood of that February to August of 2019</p> <p>6 time.</p> <p>7 Q When you say trying to make work -- work</p> <p>8 better, what do you mean by that?</p> <p>9 A They were trying to make -- their</p> <p>10 communication back and forth on calls occasionally made</p> <p>11 others -- made me uncomfortable occasionally because</p> <p>12 Ms. Forsythe would bait Mr. McDole and find ways to get</p> <p>13 him upset, in which case then it would be -- they would</p> <p>14 both raise their voices at each other and it would make</p> <p>15 others uncomfortable. So I think the -- the goal of</p> <p>16 them going to grab dinner was that they could work on</p> <p>17 their communication issues and therefore stop making</p> <p>18 other employees and counterparts and stakeholders</p> <p>19 uncomfortable when they communicated on occasion.</p> <p>20 Q Okay. So you heard from Mr. McDole that</p> <p>21 Ms. Forsythe initiated an effort to do that. Is that</p> <p>22 what I understand?</p> <p>23 A Yes.</p> <p>24 Q And what did you -- did you hear from</p> <p>25 Ms. Forsythe about an attempt by her to -- to improve</p>	<p>61</p> <p>1 had informed me that he had spoken to Mr. Witte about he</p> <p>2 wishes Ms. Forsythe would not come to the location that</p> <p>3 he's at unless she absolutely needed to, to avoid any</p> <p>4 conflict and stop the back and forth.</p> <p>5 Q Okay. The thing you heard bits and pieces of</p> <p>6 was a conversation between Mr. McDole and Mr. Witte?</p> <p>7 A Correct.</p> <p>8 Q Were they on the phone or were they in the</p> <p>9 same room or where?</p> <p>10 A They were -- we were on a construction site in</p> <p>11 Lathrop, California, I believe.</p> <p>12 Q Okay.</p> <p>13 A It was part of that week. We all traveled as</p> <p>14 a group to do multiple projects. So it took place that</p> <p>15 week. I don't exactly remember where we were standing</p> <p>16 when they were having the conversation.</p> <p>17 Q And what did you hear?</p> <p>18 A Just that I had heard Emily's name come up,</p> <p>19 and that, you know, just back and forth in general.</p> <p>20 They were just having a conversation about Emily. And I</p> <p>21 don't know specifics because, like I said, I had just</p> <p>22 heard her name and saw the back and forth conversation.</p> <p>23 I don't want to testify to something that I don't know</p> <p>24 the whole conversation of.</p> <p>25 Q Since you've been at Wayfair, have you ever</p>
<p>1 communications by doing that?</p> <p>2 A I did.</p> <p>3 Q And do you know why it did not occur?</p> <p>4 A I do not recall why they didn't end up going</p> <p>5 to meet each other for dinner. I just know that both</p> <p>6 had told me that they didn't go.</p> <p>7 Q Are you aware of any conversations with --</p> <p>8 Mr. McDole had with Ms. [sic] Witte about Emily?</p> <p>9 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the</p> <p>10 question.</p> <p>11 You can answer, if you understand it.</p> <p>12 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Can you -- can you tell</p> <p>13 me again, like...</p> <p>14 BY MR. GOODMAN:</p> <p>15 Q Are you aware of any communications by</p> <p>16 Mr. McDole to Mr. Witte about Emily Forsythe?</p> <p>17 MS. KAPPELMAN: Same objection. Are you aware</p> <p>18 of conversations between Witte and McDole about</p> <p>19 Forsythe?</p> <p>20 THE WITNESS: Yes.</p> <p>21 BY MR. GOODMAN:</p> <p>22 Q Okay. From who?</p> <p>23 A I was present for -- when they were speaking,</p> <p>24 and just overheard bits and pieces. And then I know</p> <p>25 that previously they -- Mike, Mr. -- sorry, Mr. McDole</p>	<p>62</p> <p>1 heard about anybody besides Mr. McDole asking a boss</p> <p>2 that somebody else with Wayfair not come to a location</p> <p>3 to do their work?</p> <p>4 A Yes.</p> <p>5 Q Okay. Who?</p> <p>6 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the</p> <p>7 question.</p> <p>8 You can answer, Brittaney.</p> <p>9 THE WITNESS: Just people that had</p> <p>10 interpersonal conflicts and didn't want them</p> <p>11 working on their project. I've had site directors,</p> <p>12 et cetera, ask to have people removed from -- from</p> <p>13 projects because they didn't feel like they were</p> <p>14 doing a good job before. But nothing serious.</p> <p>15 BY MR. GOODMAN:</p> <p>16 Q Nothing serious, you said?</p> <p>17 A It was -- yeah. It was just they didn't get</p> <p>18 along with the project manager or they didn't get along</p> <p>19 with specific, you know, vendors or something like that.</p> <p>20 They just asked them not to be -- not to return to their</p> <p>21 building.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. So that's -- those are requests to</p> <p>23 remove people from teams?</p> <p>24 A Sorry. I thought Lynn was talking.</p> <p>25 MS. KAPPELMAN: No.</p>

1 Q Okay. When you talked to Mr. McDole about 2 Ms. Forsythe, what was the subject matter? 3 A Team work. For example, like our teams 4 interlacing, that kind of stuff, having to do the 5 Lathrop launch, Emily's role in whether or not she was 6 involved with specifics within the launch, Emily's 7 team's involvement when they tried to replace Mr. McDole 8 as the project manager on the project when he moved to 9 operations, and then in general, the back and forth 10 nastiness between the two. Mr. McDole and I had a 11 conversation about that a few times. 12 Q Did he say -- so did he -- what did he say 13 that was critical of Ms. Forsythe, that is Mr. McDole? 14 A I'm sorry. You cut out. 15 Q What did Mr. McDole say that was critical of 16 Ms. Forsythe? 17 A That she was a micromanager and that she 18 didn't trust him to execute on the projects that he had 19 done so successfully in the past. 20 Q Did he -- and he had done it successfully in 21 the past because he had opened another building? 22 A Just project managing other racking installs 23 and that kind of stuff. Just different things that he 24 had been doing for the company and learning. 25 Q Did he criticize her other than as a	69 1 situation. She would not give me any specifics or tell 2 me anything outside of, you know, that she was dealing 3 with that. 4 Q How did you find out about -- how did you find 5 out about Emily being terminated? 6 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the 7 question. Emily resigned. 8 MR. GOODMAN: Object to this improper -- 9 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the 10 question. It mischaracterizes the evidence. 11 MR. GOODMAN: Please don't coach your witness. 12 BY MR. GOODMAN: 13 Q Ms. Skaggs -- 14 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the 15 question. You've mischaracterized the evidence. 16 MR. GOODMAN: Stop testifying. 17 BY MR. GOODMAN: 18 Q Ms. Skaggs, how did you -- 19 MS. KAPPELMAN: Object to the form of the 20 question. You've mischaracterized the evidence. 21 BY MR. GOODMAN: 22 Q How did you -- how did you find out about the 23 termination of her employment? 24 MS. KAPPELMAN: Same objection. 25 You can answer, Brittaney, how you found out
70 1 1 micromanager? 2 A Micromanager and being hard to work with are 3 the only things that he really said negatively. And I 4 don't even know that that's negative. It's just a 5 comment on the personality and working style -- 6 Q I'm sorry I can't hear you. Do you mind 7 repeating everything after micromanaging? I couldn't 8 hear you. 9 A The only comments that he made were more along 10 her work style and her behavior was micromanaging and -- 11 sorry -- micromanaging and then getting involved and 12 that kind of thing. So it wasn't really critical of her 13 personally, just more of her work style. 14 Q Did you and Emily discuss a complaint she made 15 in August 2019 about Mr. McDole, a written complaint? 16 A Yes. 17 Q What did -- what did she tell you? 18 A This was after I had already spoken to 19 Mr. Figueroa. And Emily and I went to lunch. She was 20 having a rough day. So we had -- I'd asked her if she'd 21 like to go to lunch to get out of the building because 22 she seemed visibly just annoyed and unhappy. And we 23 went to lunch. And she had told me that she had made 24 the claim against Mr. McDole, which of course, I had 25 already spoken to HR at the time, so I was aware of the	72 1 she left. 2 THE WITNESS: We were distributed -- or I'm 3 sorry. The sites put up a piece of paper at the 4 security desk for the security guard that she was 5 not able to get -- she was not allowed access to 6 the buildings. 7 BY MR. GOODMAN: 8 Q And how did you see this piece of paper? 9 A It was distributed in a text message, a photo 10 of it. 11 Q By who? 12 A It was a group of people. I don't recall 13 who -- who sent the original message. 14 Q Who was on the text chain? 15 A Maybe eight people. But I'll be honest with 16 you, I deleted the text message a long time ago and I 17 don't really recall who all was on there. 18 Q It was not an official text; right? 19 A No. No. No. No. It was just a group of 20 people that I worked with. 21 Q Who else was on the text chain? 22 A I'll be honest with you. Off the top of my 23 head, I don't really recall who all was on there. And I 24 don't want to name someone and they turned out not to be 25 involved. So I really don't. It's been a year.

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1 MS. KAPPELMAN: Bob, you want to go on the 2 record and pass? 3 MR. GOODMAN: I'll pass the witness. 4 CROSS EXAMINATION 5 BY MS. KAPPELMAN: 6 Q Okay. Ms. Skaggs, I just really truly have a 7 few questions. And I am going to focus on 8 Ms. Forsythe's complaint in this case; okay? 9 Earlier today during your deposition, you were 10 describing a conversation you had with Ms. Forsythe in 11 which you inquired about whether she and Mr. McDole had 12 a prior romantic relationship. Do you remember talking 13 about that conversation earlier today? 14 A I do. 15 Q Where did that conversation occur? 16 A In a airport parking lot while waiting to pick 17 up a co-worker in Savannah, Georgia. 18 Q Were you in a car? 19 A Yes, we were. 20 Q Was anyone else in the car with you and 21 Ms. Forsythe when that conversation occurred? 22 A No. 23 Q Okay. Do you have any sense of the month and 24 date of that conversation? 25 A The building was open, so that means it's		1 for the position at Wayfair. So the nature of 2 the -- the conversation was me asking Emily if 3 there had been a previous romantic relationship, if 4 there was unrequited feelings from her or 5 Mr. McDole as far as that's why they were 6 contentious and why they -- basically why they 7 couldn't get along and why they were dragging 8 everyone in the entire team into their drama. 9 BY MS. KAPPELMAN: 10 Q And did she respond about whether there was 11 ever a prior romantic relationship with Mr. McDole? 12 A She told me there had never been a romantic 13 relationship between the two, ever. 14 Q Okay. And did anything else occur during that 15 conversation with her about Mr. McDole? 16 A Just back and forth about the project 17 management and how it wasn't falling on -- she wanted to 18 be in control of it, but he had already -- he was moving 19 on to a new team in operations, and how she was going to 20 add another project manager in there to -- to basically 21 control Mr. McDole so that she would have oversight into 22 the project. 23 Q Did you ever say, during that conversation, to 24 Ms. Forsythe that you thought that Mr. McDole had a 25 crush on her?	
1 after May. 2 Q So it was after May 2019? 3 A Approximately, yes. 4 Q Was it before you learned -- before you met 5 with Mr. Shaffer-Figueroa about Ms. Forsythe's 6 complaints? 7 A Yes. 8 Q So it was sometime between May 2019 and 9 August 2019? 10 A Correct. 11 Q Okay. And as you sit here today, what did you 12 say to Ms. Forsythe about whether or not they had had a 13 prior romantic relationship in that airport parking lot 14 in Savannah? 15 MR. GOODMAN: Objection, form. 16 You can answer. 17 THE WITNESS: I had brought up the contentious 18 nature of the conversations that were going back 19 and forth on our team meetings about the new build 20 in California. And I had asked Ms. Forsythe if 21 there was any particular reason as to why her and 22 Mr. McDole did not seem to like each other. And I 23 knew the background that they had grown up in the 24 same area, grown up proximately close and may know 25 each other, and that she had recruited Mr. McDole	78		80